

JAFFEE RICHARD M  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JAFFEE RICHARD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
OIL DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA [ODC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
410 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 400  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/26/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Pr	9. Pr
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu (Inst			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Stock	\$ 0						<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	100
Class B Stock	\$ 0						<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	230,578.6
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Class B Stock	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	10/26/2004	G <u>(2)</u>	V	434		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	434
Class B Stock	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	10/26/2004	G <u>(4)</u>	V	434		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	434

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JAFFEE RICHARD M 410 N. MICHIGAN AVE. SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213	X			

## Signatures

Maryon Gray by Power of Attorney 12/20/2004

         \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Class B Stock may be converted at any time at the option of the holder into Common Stock on a share for share basis. See note 134 to SEC Release 34-288691
- (3) Richard M. Jaffee as Trustee under the Richard M. Jaffee Revocable Trust dated 6/21/74, as amended.
- (4) Transfer from Shirley H. Jaffee Annuity Trust, Daniel S. Jaffee Trustee, to Shirley H. Jaffee Declaration Trust, Shirley H. Jaffee Trustee
- (2) Transfer from Richard M. Jaffee Annuity Trust, Daniel S. Jaffee Trustee, to Richard M. Jaffee Revocable Trust, Richard M. Jaffee Trustee
- (5) Shirley H. Jaffee (spouse of Richard M. Jaffee) as Trustee under the Shirley Jaffee Declaration of Trust dated 7/12/93.

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